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1. BEGIN SUMMARY; CLAMP- DOWN ON FEDAYEEN ACTIVITY
IN SUDAN AND GOS CHARGE OF FATAH/ PLO COMPLICITY IN
KHARTOUM OPERATION HAVE BROUGHT FORTH DIRECT ATTACK BY
' ARAFAT ON NUMAYRI, WHO NOW APPARENTLY JOINS KING
HUSSEIN AS ANOTHER PALESTINIAN " ENEMY" AMONG ARAB RULERS.
IN ADDITION, LOCAL PRESS REPORTS URGENT SUDANESE- LEBANESE
CONTACTS RE DETAILS OF KHARTOUM OPERATION, AND FEDAYEEN
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APPEAR TO HAVE REJECTED GOJ' S TERMS FOR LIGHTER SENTENCES
FOR ABU DAUD AND HIS COMPANIONS. END SUMMARY.

2. COUPLED WITH DAILY PUBLIC REITERATIONS BY FATAH
SPOKESMEN HERE OF FATAH/ PLO NON- INVOLVEMENT IN KHARTOUM
OPERATION WAS FATAH WARNING ISSUED MAR 8 THAT NUMAYRI
" WILL SOON FIND OUT HE MADE RASH MISTAKE" IN CHARGING
FATAH COMPLICITY. IN ADDITION, TEXT OF MAR 8 ' ARAFAT
MESSAGE TO SADAT HAS BEEN MADE PUBLIC BY Wafa HERE, IN
WHICH ' ARAFAT CHARGED THAT NUMAYRI' S ACTIONS AGAINST
FEDAYEEN IN SUDAN AND HIS CONTACTS WITH OTHER ARAB RULERS
ARE PART OF US- INSPIRED PLOT AGAINST PALESTINIANS. ' ARAFAT
ALLEGED KING HUSSEIN' S POSITION RE TREATMENT OF ABU DAUD
AND CO WAS ALSO CONNECTED WITH THIS " PLOT", AND HE
DEMANDED SADAT INTERVENE TO STOP WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS
GROWING CAMPAIGN TO SUPPRESS COMMANDO MOVEMENT.

3. MEANWHILE, INDEPENDENT AN NAHAR AND ITS FRENCH- LANGUAGE
SISTER, L' ORIENT- LE JOUR, REPORTED MAR 8 THAT SUDANESE AMB
AWAKENED PRIMIN SALAM SHORTLY AFTERMIDNIGHT TO DELIVER URGENT
WRITTEN AND ORAL MESSAGES FROM NUMAYRI. WRITTEN MESSAGE
REPORTEDLY
COMMUNICATED GOS DECISION CLAMP DOWN ON FEDAYEEN ACTIVITY IN
SUDAN AND GAVE SUCH REASONS AS: PAST FEDAYEEN SPYING ON SUDANESE
OFFICIALS, COMMANDO REFERENCES TO SUDANESE ARMY AS " THE
ENEMY", AND EVIDENCE FEDAYEEN WERE PLANNING EVEN MORE
SERIOUS TERROR OPERATIONS IN SUDAN " WITHOUT REGARD FOR
SUDANESE INTERESTS." NUMAYRI REPORTEDLY ALSO CHARGED
KHARTOUM OPERATION HAD BEEN PLANNED BY FATAH/ PLO WITH
SUPPORT OF AND " IN AGREEMENT WITH LIBYAN GOVT."

4. MAR 7 Wafa BULLETIN CARRIED OFFICIAL FEDAYEEN REBUTTAL
TO LETTER SENT BY KING HUSSEIN TO AMIR OF KUWAIT, IN
WHICH KING OUTLINED HIS CONDITIONS FOR LIGHTENING SENTENCES
OF ABU DAUD AND CO (AMMAN 1143). STATEMENT SAID FEDAYEEN
CASE AGAINST GOJ GOES FAR BEYOND MERE QUESTION OF ABU DAUD
AND INVOICES AGE- OLD HASHEMITE " CONSPIRACY" AGAINST
PALESTINIANS AND ENTIRE ARAB NATION, 1970 " MASSACRES", ETC.
SAID THIS IS WHY PLO POLITICAL PROGRAM CONTAINS BASIC FEDAYEEN
OBJECTIVE OF OVERTHROWING JORDANIAN REGIME AND WHY PLO REFUSES
BARGAIN IN IN FACE OF GOJ " EXTORTION." DECON 3/8/74. BUFFUM
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